

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-5. (Canceled)

6. (Original) A system for aggregating product offerings from multiple network and service providers and managing the purchase of any offerings by end customers, comprising:

a catalog of offerings available to end subscribers from multiple providers organized into an aggregated plan for presentation to the subscriber, the product catalog tracking rating guidelines and financial reconciliation rules between providers;

a rating engine for processing usage events that originate from providers which usage events summarize data indicative of customer use of offerings across the multiple providers, wherein the rating engine reconciles between the multiple providers based on the rating guidelines and financial reconciliation rules in the product catalog for use in billing the end customer and reconciling payments to the providers; and

a provisioning subsystem responsible for provisioning and de-provisioning offerings with the providers, the provisioning subsystem using information in the product catalog to create a series of provisioning events that are relayed to the providers which allow the provider to register a purchase of an offering by the end customer with the provider, track customer usage of the offerings, and, in response to the usage, create usage events for processing by the rating engine.

7. (Original) The system as recited in claim 6, comprising a standardized interface to allow providers to develop connections to the product catalog and to transact with other providers.

8. (Original) The system as recited in claim 6, comprising an IP address rules server tracking the assignment of IP address subnets across the offerings to thereby provide customer access to the offerings.

9-22. (Canceled)